

REMARKS

The application has been reviewed in light of the Office Communication dated March 9, 2010. Claims 1-4 and 6-23 are pending in this application. By the present Amendment, claims 2-4 and 6-23 have been amended. It is submitted that no new matter has been added and no new issues have been raised by the present amendments.

The Office Communication indicates that the replies filed October 16, 2009 and September 21, 2009 were not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because the rejections of claims 2-4 and 6-23 were allegedly not addressed.

In response, Applicant respectfully points out claims 2-4 and 6-23 contain the limitations recited in independent claim 1 and are thus believed to be patentable over the cited art for at least similar reasons. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted separate comments regarding the patentability of those claims are not required. In any event, without conceding the propriety of the comments in the Office Communication, several of the claims have been amended to more clearly show their dependency. The claims have also been amended to address formal matters not affecting the scope of the claims.

Independent claim 1 is believed to be patentable over the cited art for at least the reasons noted in Applicant's previous response.

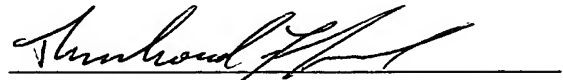
The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with this amendment and to credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

If a petition for an extension of time is required to make this response timely, this paper should be considered to be such a petition, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite fees to our Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

If a telephone interview could advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney.

Entry of this amendment and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Richard F. Jaworski', is written over a horizontal line.

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